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TO: All Interested Parties

FROM: Kris Herrington, NOAA Coastal Programs Division

SUBJECT: Southern & Caribbean Regional Meeting has been postponed

In light of the current situation in the Gulf, we have decided to postpone the Southern & Caribbean Regional meeting this year, originally scheduled for November 1-4, 2005. We are considering rescheduling the meeting for early 2006, and will send out information and details as soon as any new plans are made.

We apologize for any inconveniences this may cause, but recognize that the many of us, especially the states in the Gulf of Mexico region, will need to be shifting their focus, energy, time and money for the next few months to recover from this disaster. Hopefully we can still meet in early 2006, and perhaps at that point, we will be able to include an expanded discussion of the role of coastal management in hurricane preparedness and recovery.

My sincerest thanks go out to everyone who has been involved planning this meeting. I appreciate how much time and energy each of you have spent working on the agenda and logistics. Our thoughts go out to everyone in the Gulf region, and as always, please let us know if there is something in particular we can do to help.

Please spread the word about the meeting being postponed. If you have any specific questions regarding the meeting, please contact me at any time.

Sincerely,

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